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Sir:

In response to the office action mailed June 15, 1999,  
please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 6 as follows:

6. (Amended) A method for object oriented programming  
comprising:  
    registering a first object with a first globally  
unique identifier;  
    registering a second object with a second globally  
unique identifier; and  
    selectively accessing one of said first and second  
objects in place of one another without recompiling.

Please amend claim 9 as follows:

9. (Amended) A container for a software object  
comprising:

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